GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

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Safe Operation of Flights from HAL Airport
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether birds are posing a threat to flights operating from the Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) airport which is extensively being used for military aircraft and helicopters and VVIP jets;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken up the matter with the State Government of Karnataka to clean the area to facilitate safe operation of flights;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE)
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
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(a) & (b): No, Madam. However, occasionally birds are noticed on western outside of the HAL airport.

(c) to (e): HAL has taken up the matter with Civic Authorities i.e., Bruhath Bengaluru Mahanagar Palike (BBMP), Bengaluru Development Authority (BDA) of State Government of Karnataka through Airport Environment Management Committee (AEMC).
Regular Joint Inspection including Aerial Survey by the Sub-Committee of HAL, BBMP & AEMC is conducted to ensure cleaning of area in and around HAL airport. This has led to reduction in bird activities.
Several preventive measures including deployment of a Bird Hazard Control Team (BHCT) to scare / shoot and report exact bird position to Air Traffic Tower Control have also been taken.
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